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Office Action Summary

Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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Examiner	Art Unit	
Ken A Berck	2879	

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 07 March 2000.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.
- 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☐ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claims _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on 07 October 1999 is/are objected to by the Examiner.
- 11) ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on _____ is: a) ☐ approved b) ☐ disapproved.
- 12) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 13) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.
- 14) ☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

Attachment(s)

- 15) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 16) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 17) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s) _____

- 18) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s) _____
- 19) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 20) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Drawings

The drawings are objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) because they include the following reference sign(s) not mentioned in the description: In Fig. 1, reference number 11 points to a layer, but is not disclosed in the specification. Correction is required.

The drawings are objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(4) because reference characters "6" and "26" have both been used to designate a front plane plate in Fig. 3 and in the specification. Correction is required.

Specification

The title of the invention is not descriptive. A new title is required that is clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

The following title is suggested: A Display Apparatus with a Multi-Layer Absorption, Conduction and Protection Film.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Oyama et al.

(US 5,942,319).

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Oyama discloses (fig 17a) a display apparatus with a film on a display plane, the film having (fig 4) a luminous transmittance equal to or less than 85%, (fig 10, table 1) a luminous reflectance equal to or less than 1% and a flattened reflectance curve, of which absolute values of differential values are equal to or less than 2.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 2 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ovama et al. in view of Itou et al. (US 5,939,821) and Aben et al. (US 6,208,389).

Ovama discloses the above claim limitations as well as (column 21, lines 4-7) a surface resistance less than $1000 \Omega/\square$, (fig 17a) a laminated film composed of at least three layers (columns 5-6) with a protective film (13) composed mainly of SiO_2 , a conductive film composed of Cr (column 6, lines 10-45), and an absorption film (11) at a surface of a display plane (10), and the absorption film is arranged at a position closer to the display plane than the conductive film and (column 7, lines 19-26) the display apparatus being a plasma display device or a cathode ray tube.

Ovama fails to specifically point out having a selective absorption to approximately 450 nm, 570 nm, and 650 nm and the absorption film containing coloring matter.

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Aben discloses (column 3, lines 61-65) an absorption film containing coloring matter to selectively influence the light transmission.

Aben fails to specifically point out having a selective absorption to approximately 450 nm, 570 nm, and 650 nm.

Itou discloses (fig 3a-3c) selective absorption at approximately 450 nm, 570 nm, and 650 nm to improve brightness and contrast of the display.

Hence it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to use the display apparatus of Ovama with the absorption film containing coloring matter to selectively influence the light transmission, as taught by Aben and the selective absorption at approximately 450 nm, 570 nm, and 650 nm to improve brightness and contrast of the display, as taught by Itou.

Contact Information

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ken A Berck whose telephone number is (703)305-7984. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 8:30-4:30.

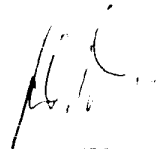
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nimesh Patel can be reached on (703)305-4794. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703)308-7382 for regular communications and (703)308-7382 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703)308-0956.

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